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Community Facts

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1 General

Incorporated in 1906, Oak Bay has a total land area of 10.38 square km (2006 Census) and is bounded on the west by the City of Victoria and on the north by Saanich. Oak Bay is in the Capital Regional District.

2 Population Estimates

Annual Estimates

Year	Oak Bay	% Change Prev. Year	BC	% Change Prev. Year
2007	17,971	n/a	4,309,632	n/a
2008	18,070	0.6	4,384,047	1.7
2009	18,035	-0.2	4,459,947	1.7
2010	18,006	-0.2	4,529,647	1.6
2011	18,024	0.1	4,573,321	1.0

Source: Statistics Canada (as of July 1, includes estimate of Census undercount)

Age Distribution

2011 Census

Oak Bay	Male	Female	% Distribution, 2011 * Oak Bay	% Distribution, 2011 * BC
All ages	8,185	9,825	100.0	100.0
0 - 14	1,115	1,165	12.6	15.4
15 - 24	1,060	1,000	11.4	12.6
25 - 44	1,285	1,525	15.6	26.3
45 - 64	2,650	3,205	32.5	30.0
65 +	2,080	2,930	27.8	15.7

** based on published totals, both sexes*

2006 Census Profiles can be found on our Website at http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/census.asp

3 Selected Census Characteristics

Characteristics	Oak Bay 2001	Oak Bay 2006	Oak Bay % Change	British Columbia % Change	British Columbia 2001	British Columbia 2006
Population	17,798	17,908	0.6	5.3	3,907,738	4,113,487
Population (by citizenship)	17,485	17,680	1.1	5.3	3,868,875	4,074,385
Non-immigrant	13,155	13,305	1.1	2.9	2,821,870	2,904,240
Immigrant	4,150	4,140	- 0.2	10.8	1,009,820	1,119,215
Labour force (15+ yrs.)	8,285	8,790	6.1	8.1	2,059,950	2,226,380
Employees	6,495	6,845	5.4	9.2	1,715,600	1,873,050
Self-employed	1,680	1,865	11.0	7.4	291,455	313,000
Participation rate [ppt.=percentage points]	55.4%	57.6%	2.2 ppt.	0.4 ppt.	65.2%	65.6%
Unemployment rate	5.6%	3.1%	-2.5 ppt.	-2.5 ppt.	8.5%	6.0%
Total population 25 to 64 years	8,425	8,765	4.0	6.5	2,144,050	2,284,465
No certificate, diploma or degree	545	125	- 77.1	- 40.1	471,470	282,200
High school certificate or equivalent	1,295	1,340	3.5	27.7	462,925	591,275
Apprenticeship/trades certificate or diploma	510	505	- 1.0	- 7.4	295,180	273,450
College, CEGEP or other cert. or diploma	1,375	1,475	7.3	11.3	401,760	447,005
University certificate, diploma or degree	4,700	5,315	13.1	34.7	512,715	690,535
Bachelor's degree	2,330	2,410	3.4	23.0	282,800	347,715
Census families	5,030	5,160	2.6	6.9	1,086,030	1,161,420
Lone-parent families	620	575	- 7.3	4.0	168,420	175,165
Households	7,740	7,900	2.1	7.1	1,534,335	1,643,150
1-family households	4,900	5,035	2.8	6.1	1,012,925	1,074,850
Multi-family households	60	60	-	18.4	35,050	41,510
Non-family households	2,775	2,800	0.9	8.3	486,355	526,785
Median Income (2000 & 2005)	$ 30,440	$ 36,421	19.6	12.5	$ 22,095	$ 24,867
Males	$ 41,546	$ 46,032	10.8	9.0	$ 28,976	$ 31,598
Females	$ 25,230	$ 30,206	19.7	14.0	$ 17,546	$ 19,997
Median Family Income (2000 & 2005)	$ 78,168	$ 96,163	23.0	20.0	$ 54,840	$ 65,787
Economic Families	5,000	5,140	2.8	6.5	1,044,850	1,112,810
2001 Incidence, low income / 2006 Prevalence, low income	6.4%	5.1%	-1.3 ppt.	-0.6 ppt.	13.9%	13.3%
Unattached persons, 15+	3,190	3,105	- 2.7	4.7	576,825	603,880
Incidence, low income	30.2%	25.8%	-4.4 ppt.	-1.4 ppt.	38.1%	36.7%
Population in private hh.	17,485	17,645	0.9	5.1	3,785,270	3,978,215
Incidence, low income	10.6%	8.7%	-1.9 ppt.	-0.5 ppt.	17.8%	17.3%
Dwellings	7,740	7,900	2.1	7.1	1,534,335	1,643,150
Owned	5,705	5,810	1.8	12.5	1,017,485	1,145,045
Rented	2,035	2,090	2.7	- 3.6	512,360	493,995
Average gross rent	$ 779	$ 997	28.0	10.4	$ 750	$ 828
Average owners' payments	$ 918	$ 1,148	25.1	17.1	$ 904	$ 1,059
Avg. value, owned dwel.	$ 342,612	$ 722,058	110.8	81.5	$ 230,645	$ 418,703

Source: Statistics Canada. Notes: incomes are for 2005 and 2000; rent/owner's payments are restricted to non-farm, non-reserve private dwellings.

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4 Labour Force by Industry (NAICS)

Industry	Oak Bay 2001	Oak Bay 2006	Oak Bay % Change	BC % change	% Distribution, 2006 Oak Bay	% Distribution, 2006 BC
Total labour force	8,285	8,785	6.0	8.1	100.0	100.0
Industry - Not applicable	80	45	- 43.8	- 26.6	0.5	1.5
All industries (Experienced LF)	8,205	8,740	6.5	8.9	99.5	98.5
111-112 Farms	30	30	-	5.2	0.3	1.8
113 Forestry and logging	10	25	150.0	- 10.0	0.3	1.0
114 Fishing, hunting and trapping	-	10	-	1.3	0.1	0.2
1151/2 Support activities for farms	-	-	-	11.3	-	0.1
1153 Support activities for forestry	20	-	- 100.0	- 21.5	-	0.3
21 Mining and oil and gas extraction	-	20	-	42.6	0.2	0.9
22 Utilities	35	25	- 28.6	- 3.4	0.3	0.5
23 Construction	230	335	45.7	39.9	3.8	7.5
31-33 Manufacturing	265	265	-	- 2.7	3.0	8.5
311 Food manufacturing	80	50	- 37.5	3.6	0.6	1.0
321 Wood product manufacturing	10	10	-	- 16.1	0.1	1.7
322 Paper manufacturing	-	-	-	- 13.5	-	0.6
41 Wholesale trade	170	140	- 17.6	11.6	1.6	4.1
44-45 Retail trade	755	805	6.6	6.9	9.2	11.2
441 Motor vehicle and parts dealers	40	20	- 50.0	9.0	0.2	1.1
445 Food and beverage stores	155	180	16.1	8.4	2.0	2.9
448 Clothing & clothing accessories	145	140	- 3.4	9.2	1.6	1.1
452 General merchandise stores	70	35	- 50.0	6.5	0.4	1.2
48-49 Transportation & warehousing	160	140	- 12.5	0.6	1.6	5.2
51 Information and cultural industries	190	175	- 7.9	- 5.3	2.0	2.6
52 Finance and insurance	290	315	8.6	4.5	3.6	3.8
53 Real estate & rental/leasing	360	305	- 15.3	22.1	3.5	2.3
54 Prof'sonal, scientific & tech. serv.	1,165	1,040	- 10.7	18.6	11.8	7.3
55 Mgment. of companies/ent'prises	10	15	50.0	126.6	0.2	0.1
56 Admin+support, waste mgmnt srv.	190	305	60.5	20.4	3.5	4.4
61 Educational services	980	985	0.5	9.2	11.2	6.9
62 Health care and social assistance	1,260	1,345	6.7	6.5	15.3	9.6
71 Arts, entertainment and recreation	180	395	119.4	11.3	4.5	2.3
72 Accommodation and food services	530	590	11.3	7.7	6.7	8.1
721 Accommodation services	125	115	- 8.0	2.5	1.3	1.7
722 Food services & drinking places	400	475	18.8	9.2	5.4	6.4
81 Other services (excl. public admin.)	290	315	8.6	11.8	3.6	4.9
91 Public administration	1,075	1,140	6.0	- 2.0	13.0	5.0
Special Aggregations: Agriculture, Food and Beverage	120	85	- 29.2	5.8	1.0	2.9
Special Aggregations: Fishing and Fish Processing	10	10	-	- 3.3	0.1	0.5
Special Aggregations: Logging and Forest Products	35	40	14.3	- 14.7	0.5	3.7
Special Aggregations: Mining and Mineral Products	25	55	120.0	17.1	0.6	2.1

Source: Statistics Canada. Industry according to NAICS version used in each census. Unpublished data.

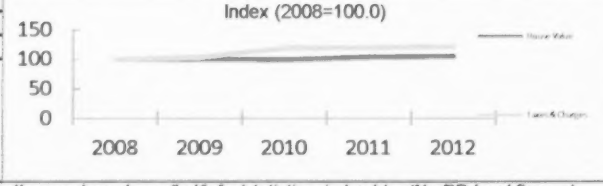
5 Business Locations- Number of Firms by Employment Size Range

	Firms with no employees		Firms with employees		% change	Victoria CMA			
	Victoria CMA	BC	Victoria CMA	BC	Victoria CMA	1 to 19	20 to 49	50-199	200 Plus
2008	13,756	185,879	13,128	175,003	-	11,497	1,072	436	123
2009	13,807	186,541	13,319	176,124	1.5	11,694	1,072	431	122
2010	14,632	194,349	13,402	175,913	0.6	11,856	1,064	398	84
2011	14,598	195,290	13,173	173,589	- 1.7	11,653	1,018	429	73

Source: Business Register, Statistics Canada. In some areas, boundary changes/geocoding changes may cause large changes.

6 Municipal Residential Taxes and Charges on a Representative House

	Oak Bay House Value		Oak Bay Taxes & Charges	
Year	$	% change	$	% change
2008	841,465		4,704	
2009	846,752	0.6	4,873	3.6
2010	835,545	-1.3	5,598	14.9
2011	871,249	4.3	5,637	0.7
2012	885,304	1.6	5,744	1.9



Source: Ministry of Community, Sport & Cultural Development http://www.cd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/infra/statistics_index.htm (No RD level figures)

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7 Values of Building Permits

Year	Residential Number of Units Oak Bay	Residential Number of Units BC	Residential Value $'000 Oak Bay	Residential Value $'000 BC	Non-Residential Value $'000 Oak Bay	Non-Residential Value $'000 BC	Total Value $'000 Oak Bay	Total Value $'000 BC	Year
2007	11	40,932	19,822	8,611,723	886	3,932,968	20,708	12,544,691	2007
2008	11	30,110	24,335	6,899,289	7,929	3,677,866	32,264	10,577,155	2008
2009	6	18,607	19,182	4,491,075	8,483	3,138,810	27,665	7,629,885	2009
2010	22	28,984	34,892	6,705,888	57,005	3,017,921	91,897	9,723,809	2010
2011	24	25,745	31,325	6,113,406	2,758	3,136,361	34,083	9,249,767	2011

Source: Statistics Canada

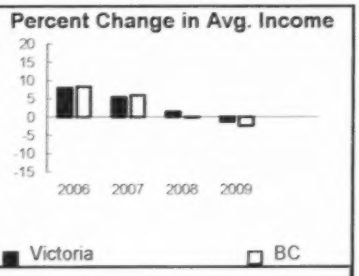
Note: Detailed non-residential permits data can be found on our Website: www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca
A dash can indicate a nil report, a value of less than $500, or non-reporting. P indicates 'preliminary'.

8 Personal Taxation Statistics

Total Income of All Returns

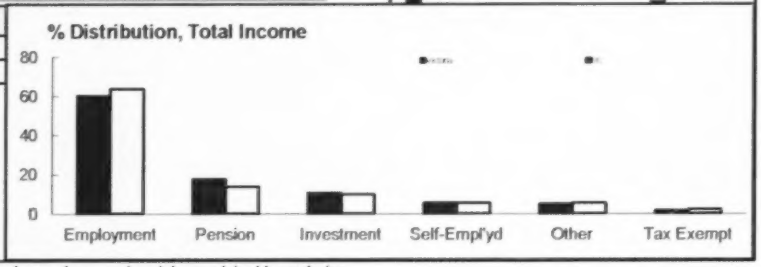
Year	All Returns (number) Victoria	All Returns (number) BC	Average Income ($) Victoria	Average Income ($) BC	% Change avg. income Victoria	% Change avg. income BC
2005	214,780	3,154,090	38,891	35,601	n/a	n/a
2006	213,450	3,165,750	41,992	38,523	8.0	8.2
2007	222,330	3,287,750	44,246	40,802	5.4	5.9
2008	228,910	3,383,640	44,851	40,736	1.4	-0.2
2009	229,030	3,406,860	44,239	39,754	-1.4	-2.4

Taxation data available at : http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/data/dd/income.asp



Source of Total Income 2009

	Victoria $Thousands	Victoria % of Total	BC % of Total
Employment	6,108,668	60.3	63.7
Pension	1,777,560	17.5	13.8
Investment	1,062,251	10.5	9.8
Self-Employed	550,374	5.4	5.3
Other	481,185	4.7	5.3
Tax Exempt	148,962	1.5	2.0
Total	10,131,947	100.0	100.0



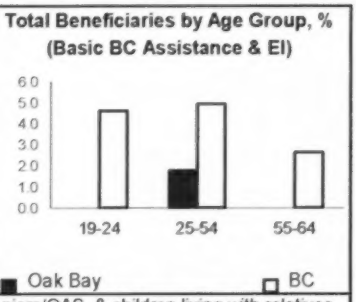
Source : Canada Revenue Agency. Areas are defined by postal codes and may not match municipal boundaries.

Includes: Victoria, Colwood, Saanich, Esquimalt, Oak Bay, Langford, Highlands, View Royal, Metchosin

9 Dependency on the Safety Net

Percentage of Population by Age Receiving Benefits - September 2009

Age Group	BC Basic* Income Assistance Recipients (%) Oak Bay	BC Basic* Income Assistance Recipients (%) BC	Employment Insurance Beneficiaries (%) Oak Bay	Employment Insurance Beneficiaries (%) BC	Total of BC Basic Income Assistance & EI Beneficiaries (%) Oak Bay	Total of BC Basic Income Assistance & EI Beneficiaries (%) BC
Under 19	0.3	2.7				
19-24	-	2.1	1.3	2.6	-	4.6
25-54	0.4	1.9	1.4	3.1	1.8	4.9
55-64	-	0.7	0.4	2.0	-	2.6
19-64	0.3	1.7	1.1	2.8	1.4	4.4



* On temporary assistance only. Excluded are those on Continuous Assistance, aboriginals living on reserve, seniors/OAS, & children living with relatives.

Source: BC Stats (using administrative files from the BC Ministry of Housing & Social Development, and Human Resources & Social Development Canada)

Note: EI Beneficiareies reports now include regular, fishing and employment benefits, work sharing and support measures. The reports exclude sickness, maternity and parental benefits.

10 Business Formations and Failures

Incorporations

Year	Number Victoria*	Number BC
2007	1,947	34,036
2008	1,780	30,085
2009	1,609	26,431
2010	1,834	30,305
2011	1,691	30,844

Source: BC Ministry of Finance

Incorporations are counted in municipality of the registered office address which may differ from the actual business location.

Bankruptcies

Year	Victoria CMA Business	Victoria CMA Consumer	Vancouver Island/Coast DR Business	Vancouver Island/Coast DR Consumer	BC Business	BC Consumer
2005	48	728	n.a.	n.a.	786	8,168
2006	30	611	80	1,368	585	7,020
2007	35	683	70	1,410	470	6,651
2008	43	705	94	1,495	454	7,293
2009	26	926	80	2,179	380	10,639

Source: Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy, Government of Canada

Note: Bankruptcy is by urban postal code forward sortation area and is counted where it is filed.

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